宮下あきら

雨降りつづきだった夏も、いつのまにか終わってしまったようだ。

さぁ、いよいよ秋だ。食欲の秋、芸術の秋。秋は、いい。などと思っているとまた、どうもはっきりしない天気の連続。

いったい、どうなっているんだ!?

こんな状態のまま、いつのまにか冬になってしまうのだろうか? 寒い北風が吹いてくれてもいい。お天道様をまともにおがみたいと思っている次第だ。

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魁!!男塾

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登場人物紹介

～前巻までのあらすじ～

男塾――全寮制、生徒数は、日本全国から三学年でちょえ三百名、それも傷害事件などを起こした連中ばかり…。塾長・江田島平八は、この荒くれ者たちに男塾独自のスパルタ教育をしていた。一号生筆頭・剣桃太郎はその中で実力を発揮、名実ともに、男塾一号生の中心となる。

その後、桃ら一号生は「驚選大四凶殺」、「大威撮八連制覇」といった死闘に次つぎと勝利。この二つの死闘により、男塾の結束は一層高まった。

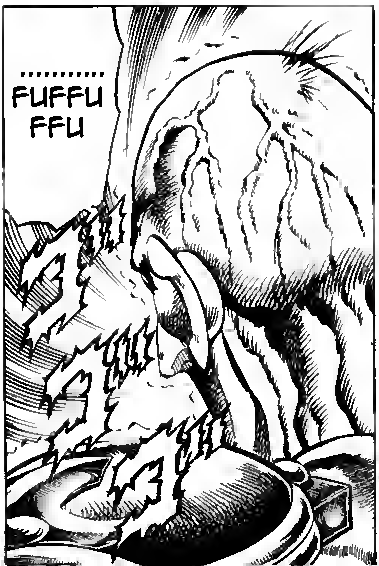
その一か月後、天挑五輪大武會の使者が男塾にやってきた。その主催者、藤堂兵衛の非道ぶりを知った桃ら十六名は、藤堂を倒すため、この大武會に参加した。蝙翔鬼、独眼鉄を失いつつも決勝まで勝ちすすんだ男塾チームは、魔邪亜羅十六僧チームと対戦。魔闘法師との闘いで影慶を失った男塾チームは悲しみを超えて死闘に挑んだ…!!

魁!!男塾

もくじ

竜の咆哮!!の巻……七
窺娜亜羅の大僧正!!の巻……二七
恐るべし潜敵陣!!の巻……四七
決着の瞬間!!の巻……六七
決勝リーグ進出!!の巻……八七
驚異の冥鳳島!!の巻……一〇九
暗殺結社・宝竜黒蓮珠の巻……一二九
飛吊襲縅槍!!の巻……一四九
快刀乱麻・赤石!の巻……一六九

CHP. 133: ROAR OF THE DRAGON!



I DON'T KNOW IF HE'S A KYOKUBU-HATSU OR ANY-THING, BUT HE'S BOILING OVER THAT DATE---!!
WAHAHHA, LOOK!! I CAN'T STOP LAUGHING!
HE'S AN INTENSE GUY AS USUAL.

FINALLY I CAN USE THAT TECH-NIQUE.
YOU'RE A GREAT MAN, DATE...!!
竜の咆哮！の巻
CHP. 133: ROAR OF THE DRAGON!

FUFFUFFU. LET ME TELL YOU. THE ORIGIN OF MY NAME RYUUHOU .....!!
WH...WHAT----!? THAT RYUUHOU HAS TAKEN OUT SOME SOME BLACK POWDER-LIKE THING AND IS SWALLOWING IT---!
!!

WAGERING THIS ULTIMATE SECRET .....!!
I FEEL ILL USING THIS ON YOU
"ZETTAI OUGI" = "ABSOLUTE SECRET" "HOURYUU K. UENTO" = "CANNON-DRAGON S. TTING FLAME ROAR"
GANDHARA ZETTAI OUGI: HOURYUU KOUENTO!!

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NU!!

DA... DATE ---!!
WH... WHAT---!! RYH...RYUUHOU SPIT OUT A FIREBALL FROM HIS MOUTH---!
"RYUUHOU" TRANSLATES INTO "TREASURE OF THE DRAGON"
DO YOU UNDERSTAND THE ORIGIN OF MY NAME RYUUHOU!! THE DRAGONS OF THE HEAVENS ARE SAID TO HAVE ANGRY FLAMES THEY SPIT FROM THEIR MOUTHS THAT SCORCH ALL ENEMIES!
YOU SHALL HAVE YOUR BODY EN-GULFED IN CRIMSON FLAMES AND DIE GET-TING MANGLED UP BY THEM---!!

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"RANKE NANSOUHA" = "WESTERN-HOUSE, NANSOU (SOUTHERN SUNGS) SCHOOL", "KOKUSAKUJIN" = "BLACK EXPLODING DUST"

HOURYUU KOUENTO...A SECRET TECHNIQUE SAID TO HAVE BEEN CREATED BY RANKE NANSOUHA, WHO WERE SAID TO BE HERETICS WITHIN CHINESE KENPOU. ITS CHARACTERISTIC IS THE INHALATION OF KOKUSAKUJIN AND SPITTING IT OUT WITH TREMENDOUS FORCE WHILE, AT THE SAME TIME, CREATING A SPARK BY DUAL BLADES ON BOTH SIDES IGNITING IT, FIRING OUT FLAMES. FURTHER, HIS IS A TECHNIQUE THAT INCLUDES AN ATTACK OF TWO SWORDS TO THE FALTERING OPPONENT THE CRUCIAL POINT OF THIS TECHNIQUE IS TO HAVE A WONDERFUL LUNG CAPACITY. IT'S IMPOSSIBLE TO ACQUIRE IF YOU CAN'T PUT OUT THE FLAME OF A CANDLE THAT'S 10M AWAY IN ONE BREATH. KOKUSAKUJIN IS A NITROLIC-STYLE OF POWDERY GUNPOWDER. IT WON'T HARM THE BODY EVEN IF IT'S INHALED, BUT SINCE IT POSSESSES A PROPERTY OF IGNITING WITH A SMALL SHOCK, IT IS NECESSARY TO HAVE UTMOST CAUTION WHEN HANDLING IT
-FROM "CHINESE KENPOU-AN INQUIRY ON FIRE", TAIKOUBOU BOOKS

HOW'S THAT: REALIZE THIS YOU CONCEITED FOOL---!!
GU!!
AS LONG AS HE CAN'T PREVENT THOSE FLAMES, DATE CAN'T WIN
IT'S A TWO-STAGE ATTACK OF FLAMES AND SWORDS WITHOUT LOSING A BREATH...
AT...AT THIS RATE, HE'LL GET KILLED ---!!
OH...NO, DA...DATE'S IN A HUGE PINCH---!!

OOOH!! THIS IS PLEASANT, HOW PLEASAN--!
THIS WILL CLEAR UP A BIT OF MY ANGER AND HUMILIATION.

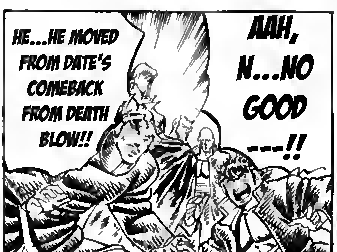
WITH THAT BLEEDING, NOW YOU'RE USING ALL YOUR MIGHT FOR STANDING.....!!
FUFU, AT ANY RATE, I CAN SEE THIS IS MATCH
HOWEVER, EVEN IF YOU HOPE THAT I'VE RUN OUT OF KOKU-SAKUJIN, IT'S USELESS. I HAVE PLENTY AS YOU CAN SEE.
FU, I'VE RUN OUT OF THE KOKU-SAKUJIN IN MY BODY .....!!
SO ALRIGHT, SHALL WE END THIS SOON?

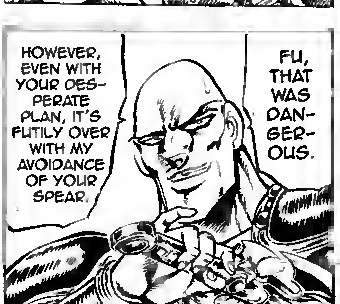
DIE
---!!
N...NO---!!
DA...DATE WILL
BE KILLED---!
HE'S...TAKING HIM
FROM BEHIND--!!
WH...WHY ISN'T
DATE SETTING
UP---!

HAA

HE PICKED UP THAT GUY'S TOPKNOT THAT HAD FALLEN TO THE GROUND AND THREW IT BETWEEN THE TWO BLADES, PREVENTING THE IGNITION OF THE SET-UP POWDER---!!
THAT'S... SKILLED, DA...DATE ---!!

UH!!
NUO!!


HE...HE MOVED FROM DATE'S COMEBACK FROM DEATH BLOW!!
AAH, N...NO GOOD ...!!


HOWEVER, EVEN WITH YOUR DESPERATE PLAN, IT'S FUTILY OVER WITH MY AVOIDANCE OF YOUR SPEAR.
FU, THAT WAS DANGEROUS.

WHAT, AT MY FEET .....!?

YOU SHOULD LOOK DOWN AT YOUR FEET, RYUUHOU
FUTILE !? MY SPEAR NEVER MISSES THE GAME IT AIMS FOR.

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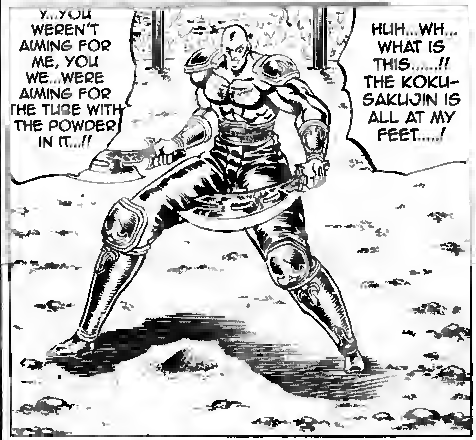
Y...YOU WEREN'T AIMING FOR ME, YOU WE...WERE AIMING FOR THE TUBE WITH THE POWDER IN IT...!!
HUH...WH... WHAT IS THIS.....!! THE KOKU-SAKUJIN IS ALL AT MY FEET.....!

FU HOWEVER, THAT WAS FUTILE AS WELL!! THERE STILL REMAINS KOKUSAKU-JIN IN MY BODY THAT IS ENOUGH TO TAKE YOU DOWN NOW!
RIGHT YOU WERE GOING TO PREVENT MY ATTACK BY MAKING ME RUN OUT OF KOKU-SAKUJIN!!

ARE YOU RUNNING? THIS MATCH ISN'T OVER YET.
WH WHERE ARE YOU GOING.....!?
!?
IF THERE IS THAT MUCH KOKUSAKU-JIN GATHERED IN ONE PLACE, THAT'LL BE ENOUGH.
..... THE MATCH HAS ENDED.
!?
Y YOU, WH. WHERE IS YOUR SPEAR .....!!
HUH !!

WHA!!
GU WA AA --!!
YOU CAN HAVE THE SPEAR; YOU CAN GIVE IT AS A PRESENT TO THE DEVIL IN HELL.

TN:

I SORT OF HOPE DATE TAKES THAT SPEAR BACK: HAVING HIM FIGHT WITHOUT IT WILL GIVE ME NIGHTMARES OF HIS FIGHT WITH RASETSU. ASIDE FROM THAT...WAS I THE ONLY ONE GETTING DEJA VU OF THE JUST COMPLETED FIGHT WITH GYUUHOU? I MEAN, I KNOW MANY PLOT STORIES IN THIS SERIES DO SEEM TO REPEAT DUE TO THE BASIS AND SITUATIONAL MATTERS OF THE BATTLE, BUT TO HAVE A SIMILAR PUNCHLINE FOR BOTH GYUUHOU AND RYUUHOU...I DON'T KNOW IF THIS IS WHAT WAS INTENDED. YEAH, IT WORKED AND THE FIGHT DID TURN OUT ALRIGHT BUT I GUESS I DIDN'T EXPECT THE RERUN SO SOON, PARTICULARLY CONSIDERING THAT AT LEAST THE GYUUHOU FIGHT DEVELOPED THAT HIS SPECIAL WEAPON JUST AMPLIFIED HIS FATNESS...WHILE THE DRAGON BREATH POWDER WAS JUST A "SECOND CHAPTER ADDITION" TO KEEP THE FIGHT GOING. (BUT THEN AGAIN...IT'S DATE, IF YOU'RE NOT ON YOUR A-GAME FROM THE START, YOU WILL DIE) BUT AT LEAST THIS MEANS ONLY THE GANDHARA HIGH PRIEST IS LEFT...

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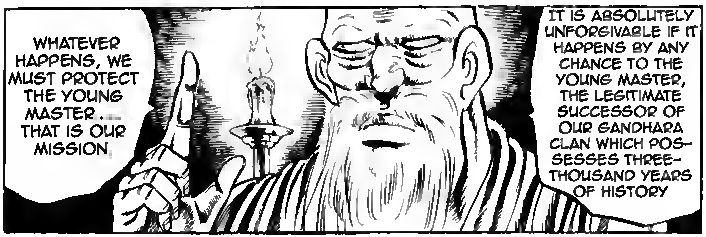
THAT RYUHKOH CAN'T FIGHT ANYMORE WITH THOSE BURNS!! GREAT THERE DATE, THE BEST MAN IN JAPAN ----!!
HE...DID IT!! A TURN-AROUND VICTORY FOR DATE!!

CHP. 134: THE HIGH PRIEST OF GANDHARA!!
厳娜亜羅(ガンダーラ)の
大僧正(だいそうじょう)!!の巻(まき)

THE HIMALAYA MOUNTAIN RANGE, 7,700 METERS ABOVE SEA LEVEL..... HEADQUARTERS OF GANDHARA

I DON'T BELIEVE THIS: GYUUHOU, ENPOU, AND NOW EVEN RYUUHOU .....!!

HOWEVER, IT IS UNBELIEVABLE THAT HE IS THE ONLY ONE IN THIS WORLD THAT IS CALLED ABSOLUTE, OUTSIDE THE HEART OF BUDDHA
THIS MAN'S POWER HAS BEEN AP-PROVED BY ALL OF THE ELDERS THAT ARE HERE..
NOW ALL THAT'S LEFT IS JUST THE YOUNG MASTER ..... !!


WHATEVER HAPPENS, WE MUST PROTECT THE YOUNG MASTER... THAT IS OUR MISSION
IT IS ABSOLUTELY UNFORGIVABLE IF IT HAPPENS BY ANY CHANCE TO THE YOUNG MASTER, THE LEGITIMATE SUCCESSOR OF OUR GANDHARA CLAN WHICH POS-SESSES THREE-THOUSAND YEARS OF HISTORY

"HIGAN ENJUSATSU" = "GRUDGE-KILLING CURSE OF HIGAN"

HERE IT IS; GANDHARA'S SECRET HIGAN ENJUSATSU!!
ARE THE PREPARA-TIONS READY!?
IF HE HAD OUR POWER EVEN OVER THERE, IT WOULD BE SIMPLE.
"HIGAN" = THE WEEK DURING THE TWO EQUINOXES IN BOTH MARCH & SEPTEMBER WHEN PEOPLE HEA... TO BU... FIRST TEMPLES TO RENEW THEIR DEVOTION TO THEIR DE...KNOW, AND THEN DUE TO THE UNUSUAL WEATHER AROUN... THOSE TIMES OF YEAR

THE MAN WITH A HEADBAND TIED ON HIS HEAD . . . ." HOWEVER IT COMES FORTH, THIS MAN'S FATE IS DEATH!
I'VE ALREADY SEEN THE MAN OF OTOKOJUKU WHO WILL BE FIGHTING THE YOUNG MASTER
HE WILL BECOME ANGRY LIKE A RAGING FIRE IF HE DISCOVERS WE ELDERS HELPED HIM OUT, BUT WITH THIS METHOD, HE WON'T FIND OUT
FUFFUFFU THE YOUNG MASTER IS A PROUD MAN WITH A VIOLENT TEMPERAMENT . . . . !!
AH.
AH...
AH
ACHOO !!

ALL THAT LEFT IS ONLY THE GENERAL OF GANDHARA .. IF WE WIN THIS, THEN WE'LL FINALLY ADVANCE TO THE TENCHOU GORIN DAIBUKAI FINALS LEAGUE.
RIGHT.
IT'S... SNOW---!! INDEED IF YOU THINK ITS COLD, THEN IT SNOWS---!
AAH!! WH...WHAT IS THAT ---!
DOKUGAN-TETSU, HEN-SHOUKI, EIKEI.... THE DEAD TRIO SHOULD BE THINKING THIS AS WELL.
AAH, NO ONE WILL COM-PLAIN OF THAT
THE MOVE-MENT TO THE FINALS SHOULD BE DECIDED BY YOUR HANDS, AS GENERAL OF OTOKO-JUKU.
LEAVE THIS MATCH TO ME

WATCH ME: YOUR DEATHS WILL NOT IN VAIN.

HIS OPPONENT IS A MAN WHO STANDS AT THE SUMMIT OF FIVE-THOUSAND: HIS RANK SHOULD BE DIFFERENT FROM OUR OPPONENTS UNTIL NOW.
NO, WE SHOULDN'T BE UNPREPARED.
WHAT, IF THIS IS MOMO'S TURN, THEN WE SHOULD WATCH THIS WITH EASE!!
OOH---!! WE ASK YOU TO DO THIS, MOMO---!
HYOO- IT'S COMING TO SNOW INCREASINGLY WORSE AND WORSE---!!
IT'S AS IF THE ENTIRE BATTLEGROUND IS BEING COVERED BY A POWER OF UNKNOWN CHARACTER.....!!
.....WHAT IS THIS BIZARRE SENSATION!?
!!

BETTING MY TITLE, I ALONE WILL PROTECT THE HONOR AND TRADITION OF GANDHARA!!
MY NAME IS SHU KOUGEN, THE 57TH HIGH PRIEST OF GAND-HARA!!
I HADN'T THOUGHT AT ALL THAT ALL OF YOU WOULD HAVE DONE THIS MUCH.
YOU SAY YOU'RE FROM OTOKO-JUKU..... SPLEN-DID,
WHATEVER SORT OF GUY I THOUGHT HE WAS, HE'S STILL YOUNG!! AND FURTHER HE HAS LONG HAIR EVEN THOUGH HE'S A PRIEST.
HE...HE'S THE GENERAL OF GAND-HARA...!!

GIVE ME YOUR NAME!!
HEAD OF THE FIRST-YEARS OF OTOKOJUKU: TSURUGI MOMOTAROU!!

HA--!!
NUU!!

THOSE BLADES ON BOTH HIS ARMS AND LEGS HAVE BEEN THROWN OUT WITH THE SPEED WITHOUT LOSING A BREATH!!
HE'S REALLY DOING IT: THAT GUY WHO STATED HE'S THE HEAD PRIEST!!

OOOOH !!

MO...
MOMO
---!!

A SIMULTANEOUS STRIKE.....!!
FU, AS EXPECTED FROM SOMEONE CALLING HIMSELF THE HEAD OF OTO KOJUKU
GUFU!!
THE BEST PROOF IS THIS THICKENING SNOW!!
HOWEVER, THE HEAVENS DESIRE MY VICTORY

!!
UH!!

WH... WHAT ---!!
HE...DISAPPEARED---!! THE...HEAD PRIEST COULDN'T BE SEEN ANYWHERE FROM THE MOMENT HE OPENED UP THAT ONE STRIP OF CLOTH---!
!!

"SENSHOU GOHOUJIN" = "BROADLY SUB-MERGED FIVE-DIRECTION ARRAY"

TN:

THERE'S SOMETHING ABOUT THIS FIGHT THAT SEEMS TO DISTURB ME. IT ISN'T SHU KOUGEN, WHO IS SHOWING SOME "INTERESTING" SKILLS (YEAH, DISAPPEARING AND LEAVING THINGS TO LIVING BLADES) AS HE TAKES TO THE FIELD.

IT ISN'T EVEN THE SNOW, WHICH WAS A TAD COINCIDENTAL BUT...WELL, IT'S OTOKOJUKU, WE HAVE TO TAKE THAT FOR GRANTED. NO, THE DISTURBING PART OF THE CHAPTER WAS THOSE FOUR OLD MONKS AT GANDHARA HQ DECIDING TO TAKE MATTERS INTO THEIR OWN HANDS WITH MOMO, CURSING HIM TO HELP THEIR "BOSS" WIN.

I SORT OF WISH WE GOT A BIT MORE ABOUT THE DYNAMICS OF GANDHARA, CONSIDERING THAT WE'VE KNOWN FROM THE START OF THE WHOLE SEQUENCE OF FIGHTS THAT THE NEW LEADER IS A YOUNGSTER AND THERE IS A WHOLE DYNAMIC REGARDING THE LEVELS OF RESPONSIBILITY AND RESPECT AND MISTRUST WITHIN THEIR GROUP...BUT WITH THE SIMPLISTIC STYLE OF THE SERIES, THAT WOULD BE ASKING TOO MUCH. BUT HEY, THE FIGHT DID START OFF WELL ENOUGH, CONSIDERING IT IS MOMO FIGHTING HIM...

WH... WHAT IS...IS THAT ---!!
THAT...HIGH PRIEST GUY HAS DISAPPEARED AND BLADES HAVE EMERGED FROM WITHIN THE SNOW, SURROUNDING MOMO!!
USING THE SNOW THAT IS HERE, IT'S NATURAL THAT I CAN ARRANGE MY MANY SECRET TECHNIQUES .....!!
FUFFUFFU: AT MY HOME OF SANDHARA, THERE IS SNOW THAT COVERS WHICH THAT DOESN'T DISAPPEAR THROUGHOUT THE YEAR!! SO TO SAY, A SNOW FIELD IS LIKE A GARDEN FOR US

CHP. 135: THE DREADFUL SENSHOU-JIN

恐るべし潜敵陣!!の巻

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IT'S BEST YOU SAVOR THIS: THE DREAD OF GANDHARA'S SENSHOU GO-HOUJIN!!
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THIS IS
....!!

SOON, YOU WILL RUN OUT OF STRENGTH, AND WHEN YOUR LEG MUSCLES WEAKEN AND YOU BEND TO THE GROUND, THE BLOOD IN YOUR BODY WILL DYE THE SNOW RED AS YOU'RE SPLIT IN TWO!!
FUFUFUFU: DO YOU GET IT...!! I CAN'T SPEAK OF HOW YOU'RE NOT MOVING AROUND ENOUGH, WITHOUT EVEN BOUNDING AROUND ON THE SNOW!
WH...WHAT: THOSE FIVE BLADES ARE WAGING FIERCE ATTACKS AT MOMO, AS IF THEY WERE LIVING THINGS---! WHAT'S GOING ON OVER THERE----!!
.....
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CAN YOU PREVENT THESE ATTACKS!!
SEN-SHOU TENKAI-JIN!!
AT...THIS STATE, IT'LL BE DANGEROUS IF HE TAKES A SIMULTANEOUS CONCENTRATED ATTACK!!
OOH, THE BLADES ARE ROTATING WITH AMAZING FORCE SURROUNDING MOMO---!!

KU!!
UH!!
!!

MO... MOMO'S BEEN HURT!!
...!! IT'S NOT A FATAL INJURY MOMO MANAGE TO AVOID IT FROM HIS VITALS !

FUFFUFFU; IT SEEMS MY MATCH WITH YOU WILL BE A BIT MORE INTERESTING, BUT THAT'S BEYOND MY POWER.
I STILL HAVE TO PUT AWAY ALL OF YOUR ALLIES.
IF YOU WERE AN ORDINARY PERSON, YOU WOULD HAVE BECOME SPLIT IN TWO WITH THAT BLOW NOW!
AS EXPECTED OF JUST BEING CALLED THE BOSS OF OTO-KOJUKU!!
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THIS WILL FINALLY BE YOUR END.
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GANDHARA HIOUGI: SENSHOU ONSHUUJIN!!
AND...AND EVEN SO, WHAT EXACTLY IS HIS MOVE TO DO WITH THAT SORT OF SET-UP---!!
WH...WHAT??!! THEY...VANISHED! ALL FIVE BLADES DIVED INTO THE SNOW!!

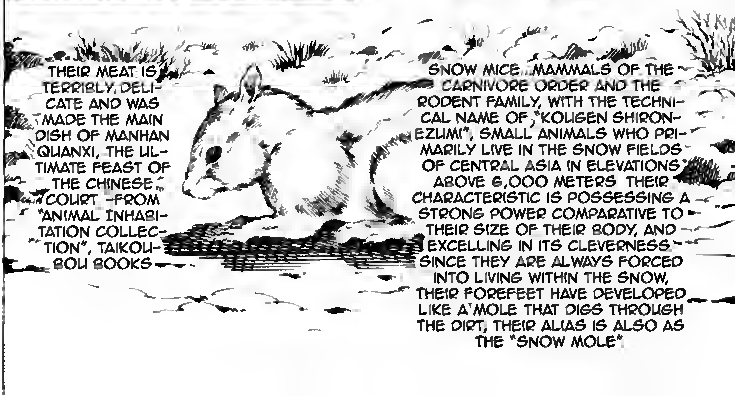
I'LL GET KILLED WITH THIS ……!!
I CAN'T READ IT……!! ALL INDICATIONS OF HIM HAVE DISAPPEARED ……!

I ONLY HAVE ONE CHANCE OF VICTORY LEFT.....!!
HE...CUT HIS OWN WRIST WITH HIS SWORD!!
WH... WHAT!! WHAT SORT OF PLAN IS THAT, MOMO!

YOU CAN COME AT ME FROM ANY-WHERE.
SHIN-GANKEN: ICHI-NO-TACHI!!
Z"!

HM... WHAT IS HE DOING? HE DREW A SURROUNDING CIRCLE IN THE SNOW WITH HIS OWN BLOOD AND CONCEALED HIS EYES WITH HIS HEADBAND!! CAN HE DEFEND AN ATTACK THAT MAY COME OUT FROM ANYWHERE WITH THAT!

SNOW MICE===YUKINEZUMI


THEIR MEAT IS TERRIBLY DELICATE AND WAS MADE THE MAIN DISH OF MANHAN QUANXI, THE ULTIMATE FEAST OF THE CHINESE COURT. -FROM "ANIMAL INHABITATION COLLECTION", TAIKOUBOU BOOKS
SNOW MICE...MAMMALS OF THE CARNIVORE ORDER AND THE RODENT FAMILY, WITH THE TECHNICAL NAME OF "KOUGEN SHIRONEZUMI", SMALL ANIMALS WHO PRIMARILY LIVE IN THE SNOW FIELDS OF CENTRAL ASIA IN ELEVATIONS ABOVE 6,000 METERS. THEIR CHARACTERISTIC IS POSSESSING A STRONG POWER COMPARATIVE TO THEIR SIZE OF THEIR BODY, AND EXCELLING IN ITS CLEVERNESS. SINCE THEY ARE ALWAYS FORCED INTO LIVING WITHIN THE SNOW, THEIR FOREFEET HAVE DEVELOPED LIKE A MOLE THAT DIGS THROUGH THE DIRT, THEIR ALIAS IS ALSO AS THE "SNOW MOLE".

HAO
---!!
NUU!!

I'VE COMPLETELY LOST MY SNOW MICE, WHICH I'VE PLACED TABLE SALT ON AND PILED ON TRAINING OVER THESE LONG YEARS. !!
YOU'RE A GREAT MAN

I DIDN'T THINK OF THAT USING THE INSTANT-FREEZING PROPERTY OF BLOOD AT A LOW TEMPERATURE, YOU CREATED A BARRIER OF THIN ICE ON THE SURFACE OF THE SNOW...!!
AND THUS, WHEN THE MICE DREW CLOSE, YOU COULD SENSE THEIR POSITION THROUGH THE WEAK SOUND OF THEM BREAKING THE ICE!!
WHAT I'VE KILLED WASN'T JUST THE SNOW MICE! THERE WAS ONE OTHER BIG MOUSE AS WELL!!
ITS SENSE OF PAIN HAS BEEN PARALYZED DUE TO BEING IN THE SNOW FOR TOO LONG.
HUH!?

TN:

YEAH, SHU KOUGEN PROBABLY ISN'T THE BEST TO BE CALLED A MOUSE...MORE LIKE A BIG, FAT, TRAPPED RAT. MOMO'S FIGHTS ALWAYS SEEM TO LEAD TO A PERFECT MANIPULATION OF PHYSICAL PHENOMENON NOT JUST IN THE MEANS OF THE BATTLE BUT TAKING ADVANTAGE OF AN OPPONENT'S OBVIOUS WEAKNESS THAT THEY EXPOSE THEMSELVES TO IN ORDER TO DEFEAT AN OPPONENT THEY NEVER EXPECT IS AS TOUGH (OR AS SMART) AS THE FIRST-YEAR HEAD. NOT ONLY WAS IT BIZARRE TO SEE HIM PERFECTLY CONTROLLING THE MICE, BUT HE ESSENTIALLY TRAPPED HIMSELF BY HIS OBSESSION IN FIGHTING IN THESE COLD TEMPERATURES, LEADING TO HIS NUMBING AND ULTIMATELY NOT FEELING MOMO WHEN HE DID SLASH HIM. BUT I GUESS WITH THOSE SACRIFICES, YOU USUALLY DON'T END UP FACING THE SMART ONES.

FINISH HIM OFF WITH VIGOROUS EFFORT---!! THIS WILL ADVANCE US INTO THE FINAL LEAGUE---!
HE'S...DONE IT!! MOMO HAS BRILLIANTLY BEATEN HIM!
IT'S NO WAY THAT YOU'VE WON AGAINST ME BECAUSE OF THIS SMALL WOUND
FUFU-FUFU .....
決着の瞬間!!の巻
CHP. 136: "THE MOMENT OF CONCLUSION!!"

決着の瞬間!!の巻

CHP. 136: THE MOMENT OF CONCLUSION!!

WH... WHAT IS THAT---
---!!
THAT HIGH PRIEST HAS TAKEN OFF HIS LEG PROTECTOR, TAKING OUT A STRANGE-SHAPED BOARD ---!!
FUFFUFFU, THE SNOW IS THICKENING QUICKLY, TAKING AWAY THE FREEDOM OF YOUR LEGS.
BUT FOR ME, I HAVE THIS SORT OF TECHNIQUE!!

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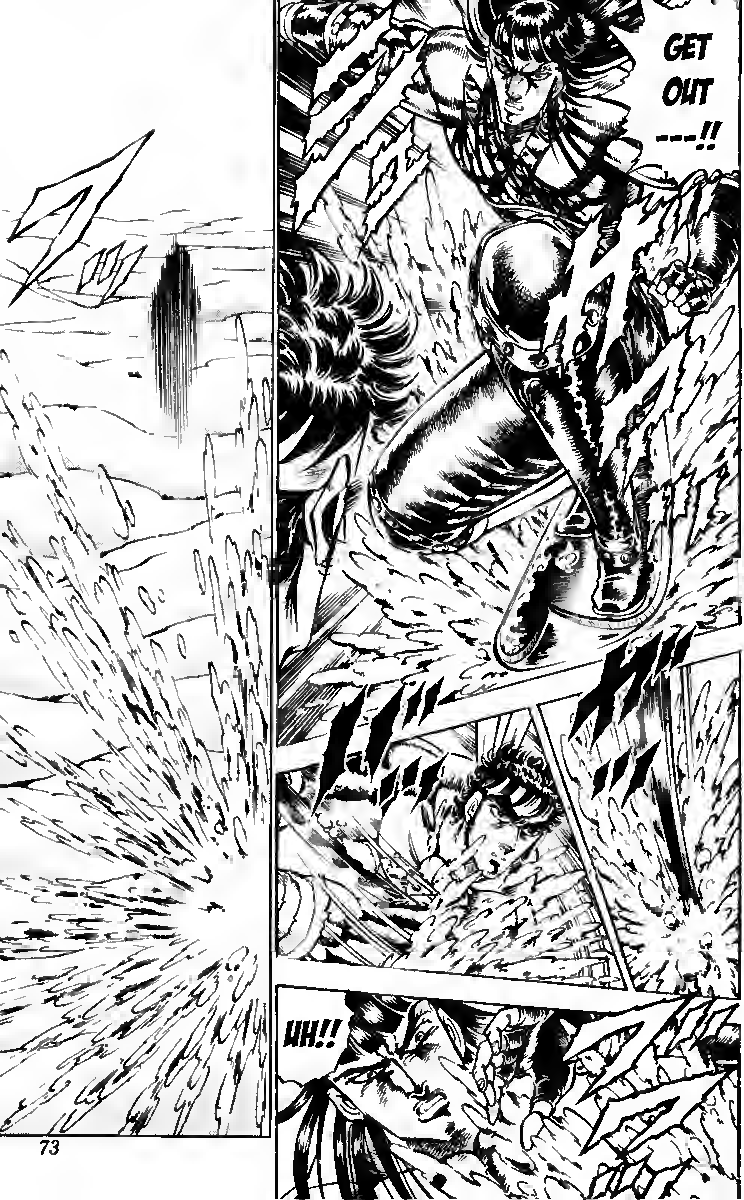
GANDHARA HIOUGI: SEPPA TANSOUTE!!!
"SEPPA TANSOUTE!" = "SNOW-WAVE SIMPLE-GATHERING ROWBOAT"

NUU!!

UH...WHAT IS TH...THAT ATTACK----!! HE'S SLIDING ON TOP OF THE SNOW AS IF HE'S ON A SKATEBOARD OR LIKE HE'S SURFING, AND ATTACKING NIMBLY----!
A...AND ON THE CONTRARY, MOMO IS CAUGHT IN THE SNOW THAT HAS PILED UP TO BENEATH HIS KNEES, MAKE HIM HARD TO MOVE!!
WITH SKILLS OF YOUR LEVEL, I MYSELF SHOULD BE ABLE TO UNDERSTAND YOU THE BEST..!!
IT'S USELESS!! YOU CAN'T DEFEAT ME
BY BEING ON TOP OF THIS SNOW, I'VE COME TO GET INTO FIGHTING FOR SANDHARA
FUFUFUFU. YOU SHOULD LAMENT YOUR BAD LUCK!!


GET OUT ---!!
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FU, WHAT ARE YOU PLANNING WITH THAT ATTACK.....
HUH!!
TH... THIS IS ....!?
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HE... DISAPPEARED! N...NOW MOMO CAN'T BE SEEN ANY-WHERE--!!
WH... WHAT ---!!

FU... SUCH STRANGE BEHAV-IOR !! HE'S GOING TO USE MY TECHNIQUE
BUT DOES HE THINK HE CAN RUN IT THROUGH SO HASTILY PREPARED?
I UNDERSTAND: HE PLANNED TO HIDE HIMSELF WELL, BUT HE CAN'T DECEIVE MY EYES.
THE COLOR OF BLOOD IS FLOATING UPWARDS IN THE SNOW!!
HE...HE KILLED MO... MOMO--!!
YOU FOOL ---!!

I'M CERTAIN WITH THIS RESPONSE ...!!
I'VE GOT YOU SHU KOUGEN, HIGH PRIEST OF GANDHARA!!
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HUH.
THIS.. IS THE CORPSE OF A SNOW MOUSE .....!!

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HO...HOW---!!
MO...MOMO GOT HIM FROM HIS BEHIND AND SHOULD HAVE COMPLETELY TAKEN THE MATCH, AND YET DIDN'T SWING DOWN HIS BLADE---!
WH...WHAT: WHAT'S GOING ON---?! THAT'S---!
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IN AN INSTANT, I'VE GOT A SHARP PAIN RUSHING THROUGH MY ENTIRE BODY, RIGORING MY BODY AND NOT LETTING MOVEMENT COME OUT...!?
WH... WHAT'S GOING ON HERE...!!
FUFUFU, HOW DISAPPOINTING.
WHAT'S WRONG, HAS YOUR STRENGTH REACHED IT'S LIMIT!? RIGHT. YOU'VE GOTTEN FROSTBITE ON YOUR BODY DUE TO THIS COLD.

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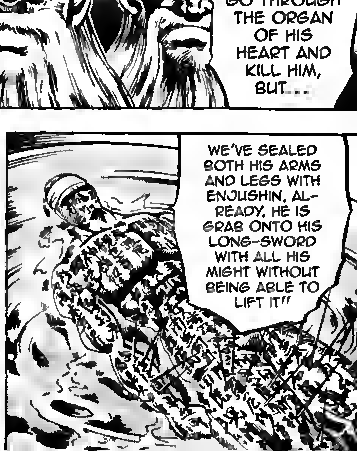
REALIZE THE TERROR OF GANDHARA HIDEN: HIGAN ENJUSATSU .....!!
THIS IS FINE. .....

THAT WILL EXPOSE OUR TECHNIQUE, WAVING ABOUT THE ANGER OF THE YOUNG MASTER
IT WOULD BE BEST TO INSTANTLY GO THROUGH THE ORGAN OF HIS HEART AND KILL HIM, BUT...

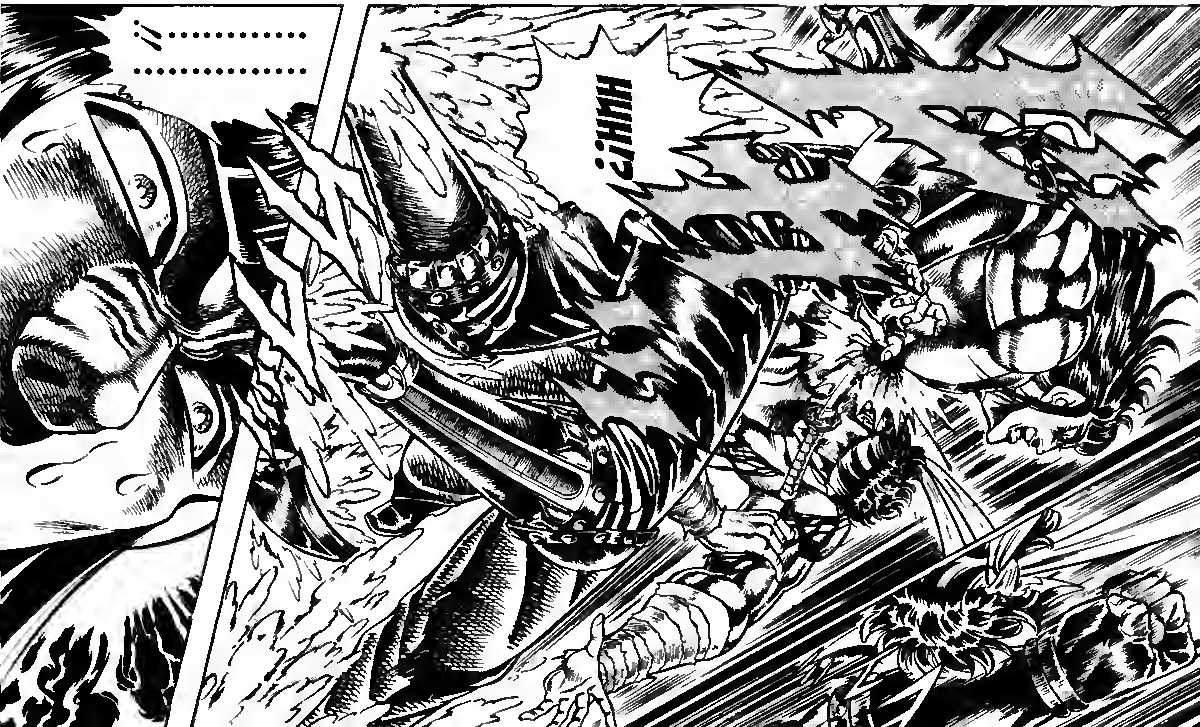
WITH THIS, THE YOUNG MASTER'S VICTORY HAS BECOME DEFINITE


WE'VE SEALED BOTH HIS ARMS AND LEGS WITH ENJUSHIN. ALREADY, HE IS GRABBING ONTO HIS LONG-SWORD WITH ALL HIS MIGHT WITHOUT BEING ABLE TO LIFT IT!!

FU, AT ANY RATE, THAT'S THE END
DIE ---!!
IT'S MISFORTUNATE YOU HAVE FROSTBITE, BUT MY VICTORY TRULY IS DESIRED BY THE HEAVENS.
WH...WHAT EXACTLY'S THE MATTER, MOMO!!
THAT'S... STRANGE!! NO... MOMO'S APPEARANCE HAS ABRUPTLY BECOME STRANGE--!

GU!!
IF YOU ARE A BOSS OF OTO-KOJUKU, THEN YOU SHOULD PREPARE YOUR-SELF MANLY!!
ARE YOU STILL PLAN-NING TO STRUG-GLE?!

WE OF OTOKO-JUKU DON'T HAVE A WORD FOR GIVING UP.
NO MATTER WHAT OUR SITUATION, WE CAN ONLY BELIEVE IN OUR POWER AND SEIZE VICTORY!!
YOU CAN'T HOLD ON TO YOUR SWORD; WHAT IS IT THAT YOU NOW CAN DO---!!
WHAT IS "OUR POWER"!!
MO... MOMO!!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HHH?!

YOU... IDIOT, TH... THAT'S .....!!
SLEEP PEACEFULLY WHILE THINK-ING OF YOUR SNOWFIELDS OF YOUR HOME.....!!

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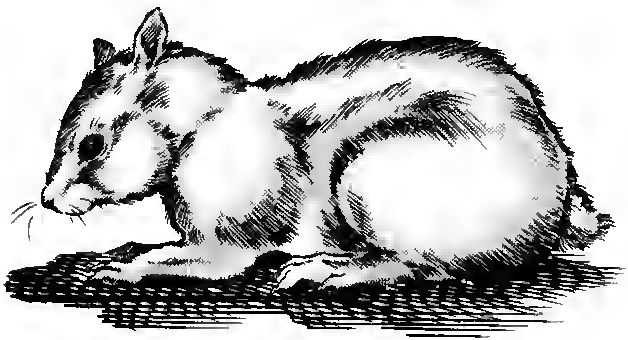
IT'S SORT OF WEIRD. THE OTHER DAY I SORT OF MADE MENTION TO THE RISING IMPORTANCE OF SNOWBOARDING IN THE MID-1980S (WELL OK, IT WAS A KINNIKUMAN CHAPTER FROM '85 WHICH DIDN'T HAVE IT AT ALL ASIDE FROM JUST "AIR SURFING"...AND THIS OTOKOJUKU IS FROM '88), AND HERE WE ARE A FEW DAYS LATER...AND SHU KOUGEN IS SNOWBOARDING.

YEAH, THEY DON'T REALLY REFER TO IT AS THAT WHEN THEY REALLY SHOULD BUT IT WAS PROBABLY SO SHOCKING AND WEIRD BACK THEN THAT THEY COULDN'T REALLY JUST SAY "SNOWBOARDING", MORE LIKE JUST STUCK WITH "SURFING ON SNOW"...IT WORKS BUT IT'S SNOWBOARDING, BELIEVE ME.

AS BRILLIANT AS THAT BIZARRE MOVE WAS STORYWISE, SOMEHOW IT FEELS RATHER CROOKED THAT KOUGEN ATTACKS MOMO WITHOUT REALLY REALIZING THAT THE OLD IDIOTS ON GANDHARA HQ ARE SCREWING HIS PREY, LEADING TO WHAT NEARLY ENDED UP BEING A COME-FROM-BEHIND VICTORY. BUT I GUESS IT ALL WAS MADE UP WHEN MOMO PROVED THE AGE-OLD ADAGE "WHO THE HECK NEEDS ARMS OR LEGS WHEN YOU CAN STAB A GUY WITH YOUR MOUTH!" NOW THAT WAS ROCKING.



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CHP. 137: ADVANCE TO THE FINALS LEAGUE!!

WH... WHERE ARE YOU GOING.....
WA...WAIT.....

AND FURTHER, HE CAN STILL FIGHT WITH THAT BODY---!!
WH...WHAT: THAT GUY IS...STILL ALIVE!!
AS...AS LONG AS I HAVE MY LIFE.....!!
THE... MATCH ISN'T OVER YET.....!!

IF YOU GET TREATMENT WITHOUT MOVING ANY FURTHER, YOU CAN SAVE YOUR LIFE.
PUT IT ASIDE .. I AVOIDED YOUR VITALS
AS BOSS OF GANDHARA AND AS A MAN...HE HAS A SPIRIT OF SORROW.
HE ALREADY IS RESIGNED TO DIE.
FOR WE IN GANDHARA, WITH LIFE AND DEATH ARE TWO IN ONE.
TRI. . TRIFLING SYMPA-THY IS USE-LESS...
LET'S GO---!!

"SHISHI TOUROUKEN" = "FOUR-LIMB CLEAR-TIP SWORD"

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THE... YOUNG MASTER LOST.....!!
WH...WHAT CAN WE SAY.....

WHAT RE●RETFUL OVERWHELMING SORROW..... THE CURTAIN WILL CLOSE NOW ON THE THREE-THOUSAND YEAR HISTORY OF GANDHARA.
THE YOUNG MASTER IS THE ONLY MAN DESCENDED TO BE THE HIGH PRIEST OF GAND-HARA.....

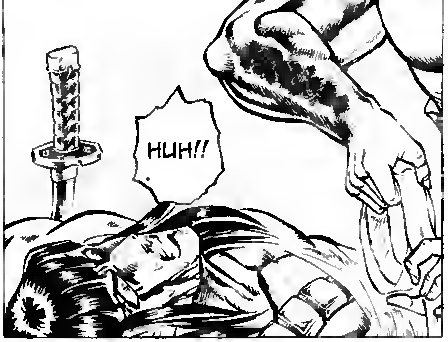
THIS MAN WILL DIE AS WELL.

HOW-EVER, BEFORE WE DO, WE SHOULD DO THIS
SINCE IT HAS COME TO THIS, WE TOO OF THE ELDER GROUP MUST BARE THE BLAME AND CAN ONLY COMMIT SUI-CIDE

WHAT!?
HO.. HOLO ON, LO...LOOK, THAT'S...!!
DIE!!
THE YOUNG MASTER IS STILL ALIVE.....!!
HE'S ALIVE...
GUKU, TH...THIS IS.....!?

WITH THIS, YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO MOVE, NOT EVEN AN INCH
I'VE TAKEN OUT ALL THE JOINTS ON THE 18 POINTS OF YOUR LIMBS.
Y.. YOU .....!!
WH...WHAT EXACTLY HAVE...YOU DONE TO ME ..!?
.....
E...EVEN WHEN I PLANNED TO KILLED YOU .....!!
WH...WHY...!? WH...WHY AREN'T YOU STABBING ME TO END IT IMMEDI-ATELY...!!
!?

HUH ..!?
WH WHAT IS TH..THIS BEHAV-IOR..!!
ARE...YOU SAV..SAVING MY LIFE...!!
I...I CHOOSE TO DIE MORE THAN TO BEING EXPOSED TO LIVING IN DIS-GRACE!
ST...STOP!! KI...KILL ME----!! MY LIFE ISN'T VALUABLE OR ANYTHING!!
UH!!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THROW AWAY YOUR TRIFLING SPIRIT.
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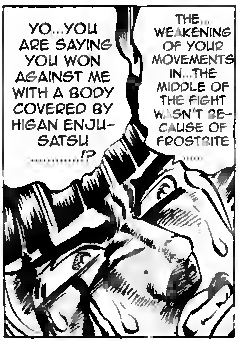
YO...YOU ARE SAYING YOU WON AGAINST ME WITH A BODY COVERED BY HIGAN ENJUSATSU .....!?
THE... WEAKENING OF YOUR MOVEMENTS IN...THE MIDDLE OF THE FIGHT W...SN'T BECAUSE OF FROSTBITE .....

IT...CAN'T BE! THAT BRUISE ON YOUR ARM IS GANDHARA HIOUGI! HIGAN ENJUSATSU...

WH...WHY DID YOU SAVE MY LIFE...!?
WH... WHY .....!!

IF YOU REST LIKE THIS, IT WILL STOP THE BLOOD

THIS ISN'T THE LIFE OF YOU ALONE .....
AS BOSS OF THE THREE-THOUSAND OF GANDHARA, YOU'RE OBLIGATED TO LIVE AND GO HOME FOR THOSE THAT THINK OF A YOU.
I'VE LOST IT'S MY COMPLETE DEFEAT.....
OTOKOJUKU..... I WISH ALL OF YOU GOOD LUCK IN THE FINALS LEAGUE....."
HE'S.. THAT SORT OF MAN.....
IT'S.. SAVED .....
THE THREE-THOUSAND YEAR HISTORY OF GANDHARA STILL EXIST BECAUSE OF THAT MAN.....

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WHAT, IS THERE SOMETHING ON MY FACE?
NO: YOU REALLY ARE OUR GEN-ERAL!!
UWAH-HAHA ----!!

IT'S BEEN A LONG FIGHT .....!!
BUT THE TRUE FIGHT IS FROM HERE ON!!

OTOKOJUKU SCHOOL
I AM THE PRINCIPAL OF OTOKOJUKU, EDAJIMA HEIHACHI!!
PR... PRINCI-PAL

HA... HAHA .....!?
THAT'S NOT SURPRISING: I'VE PREDICTED ABOUT IT UNTIL NOW.
THEY'VE...DONE IT: FI...FINALLY IT'S BEEN REPORTED THAT OUR OTOKOJUKU HAS GOTTEN THE DECISION TO ADVANCE TO THE TENCHIJIN GORIN DAIBUKAI FINALS LEAGUE!!
OUR OTOKOJUKU HAS THREE VACANCIES... WH...WHO EXACTLY WILL WE.....!?
CON...CERNING THAT, THERE WERE INSTRUCTIONS FROM TOURNAMENT HEADQUARTERS ABOUT REPLENISHING THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE THAT WERE VACATED AMONG THE PARTICIPATING SIXTEEN.
SE...SECRET WEAPONS !?
OTOKOJUKU'S SECRET WEAPONS..... THEY'RE EXTREMELY RELIABLE MEN.
I'VE DONE EVERY PREPARATION POSSIBLE. THOSE THREE HAVE ALREADY DEPARTED.
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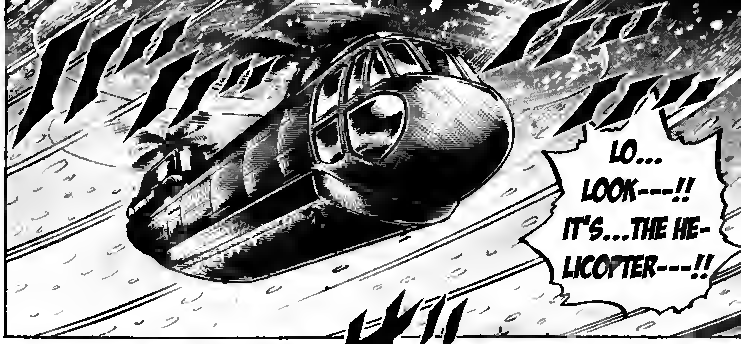
LO...
LOOK---!!
IT'S...THE HE-
LICOPTER---!!

FROM HERE, ALL OF YOU WILL RIDE THE HELICOPTER TOWARDS THE GROUND OF THE FINALS LEAGUE.
IT HAS COME FROM THE OTHER ARENA TO PICK YOU UP.

WE CAN ONLY AD-VANCE FOR-WARD!! WELL, GUIDE US TO THIS OTHER ARENA.
WE WON'T UNTIL WE HAVE AN ANSWER !

FUFU HOWEVER, FROM HERE YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO DO AS SUCH, SO WHAT WILL YOU DO? IF YOU WANT TO GO BACK, NOW'S THE TIME
HOW COULD IT BE THAT ALL YOU NEWCOM-ERS HAVE COME THIS FAR.

LET'S GO---!!
RIGHT!! AND NOW IT'S OUR TURN---!

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AND THUS WE END THE THIRD YEAR OF OTOKOJUKU, WITH A TOURNAMENT THAT IS LESS THAN A THIRD OF THE WAY COMPLETE! (YEAH, IT'S A LONG TOURNAMENT ARC)

THE CHAPTER PRETTY MUCH FINISHES THINGS OFF WITH SHU KOUGEN BY FINALLY LETTING HIM REALIZE WHAT IDIOTS HIS SO CALLED MASTERS BACK AT GANDHARA WAS, BUT AT THE SAME TIME IT'S A BIZARRE BALANCING ACT AS MUCH OF A JERK AS THE ELDERS ARE, HE REALLY HAS NO CHOICE BUT TO STAY LEST HE ENDS UP DESTROYING AN ANCIENT FIGHTING SECT THAT HE JUST TOOK OVER REALLY RECENTLY

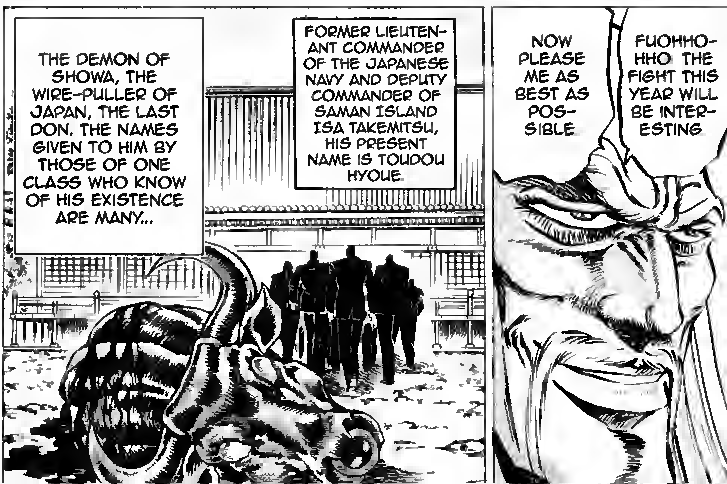
IT IS OBVIOUS THAT MAYBE HE WAS A TAD OVERAMBITIOUS REGARDING EXPOSING THEIR ABILITIES TO THE WORLD BUT ULTIMATELY KOUGEN PROBABLY JUST WANTED TO SHOW SUPERIORITY WITHOUT REALIZING THAT ALL THAT SECLUSION AND SHOW ENDED UP SCREWING GANDHARA AS MUCH AS IT DID IN TEMPERING THEM TO BE THE WARRIORS THAT THEY ARE NOW. BESIDES, MAYBE IF THOSE ELDERS DIED, PERHAPS KOUGEN COULD END UP FIXING WHATEVER PROBLEM THE SECT HAS... BUT THEN THEY'D NEED TO HAVE NEW ELDERS OR ELSE THEY WOULDN'T BE A CERTIFIED MARTIAL ARTS SECT

ON THE OTHER HAND, AT LEAST WE'RE DONE THE PRELIMS AND WE CAN FINALLY HAVE THE GLORY OF MOMO'S FINAL BLOW AND SEEING TOGASHI AND TORAMARU TOSS HASSAM ASIDE AS THEY PREPARE TO HEAD TO THE TRUE TOURNAMENT THEY DESERVE IT. THOUGH NOW ONE WONDERS WHO THE HECK EDAJIMA IS GOING TO SEND AS THEIR "SECRET WEAPONS" TO HELP WITH THE MAIN TOURNAMENT FINALLY UP NEXT. AND THE MAIN MISSION STILL THE ELIMINATION OF TOUDOU!

THE DEMON OF SHOWA, THE WIRE-PULLER OF JAPAN, THE LAST DON.
THE NAMES GIVEN TO HIM BY THOSE OF ONE CLASS WHO KNOW OF HIS EXISTENCE ARE MANY...
CHP. 138: WONDERFUL MEIOU ISLAND!!
HIS FORTUNE AND ASSETS RIVALS EVEN THE NATIONAL BUDGET OF JAPAN
HIS POWER IS SAID TO RESHUFFLE EVEN THE HEAD OF THE PRIME MINIS-TER OF THE TIME.

IS THAT SO....
ALL OF THE PRELIMINARY LEAGUES FOR THE TENCHOU SORIN DAIRIKAI HAVE ENDED, FROM HERE WE'RE TRANSFERRING THEM TO THEIR FIGHTING PLACE ON THE FINALS BATTLEGROUND.
YOUR EXCELLENCY

IN THIS COUNTRY, SINCE ANYONE WHO SITS IN THE CHAIR OF PRIME MINISTER IS THE SAME, HOW COULD I DO THAT FOR HIM?
THROW IT AWAY.
THE NEW PRIME MINISTER HAS BEEN ANTICIPATING THANKS FOR HIS NEW POST SINCE SOME TIME AGO, BUT HOW SHOULD WE DO THIS?
YES, AS YOU WILL
WHILE WE'RE AT IT, IT SEEMS THAT NEW PARTICIPANT TEAM OTOKOJUKU HAS WON THEIR WAY INTO THE FINALS LEAGUE


THE DEMON OF SHOWA, THE WIRE-PULLER OF JAPAN, THE LAST DON. THE NAMES GIVEN TO HIM BY THOSE OF ONE CLASS WHO KNOW OF HIS EXISTENCE ARE MANY...
FORMER LIEUTENANT COMMANDER OF THE JAPANESE NAVY AND DEPUTY COMMANDER OF SAMAN ISLAND ISA TAKEMITSU, HIS PRESENT NAME IS TOUDOU HYOUE.
NOW PLEASE ME AS BEST AS POSSIBLE
FUOHHOHHO THE FIGHT THIS YEAR WILL BE INTERESTING

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CHO-135 WONDERFUL MEIOU ISLAND!!

KI...
KIJIMA---!!
HOLD ON---!

L...LIVE AND... ESCAPE THIS ISLAND.....
THE...THE LIVES OF WE 2,800 BROTHERS OF THE JAPANESE ARMY WERE SOLD TO THE ENEMY AND DRIVEN TO OUR DEATHS.....
FL...FIRST-LIEUTENANT EDAJIMA-DONO, IT'S...IT'S ALREADY TO...TOO LATE FOR ME
SO...SO THEN.....
KI... KIJIMA ---!!
YOU...MUST CERTAINLY TAKE THAT MAN.....
I...ISA TAKE-MITSU.....
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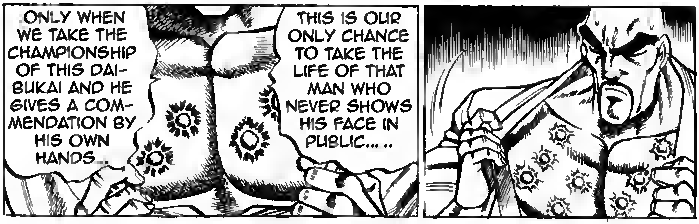
ONLY WHEN WE TAKE THE CHAMPIONSHIP OF THIS DAI-BUKAI AND HE GIVES A COM-MENDATION BY HIS OWN HANDS...
THIS IS OUR ONLY CHANCE TO TAKE THE LIFE OF THAT MAN WHO NEVER SHOWS HIS FACE IN PUBLIC.....

TOUDOU HYOUE THE ONES WHO WILL LOWER THE IRON HAMMER OF JUSTICE ON HIM ARE ONLY THEM
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BE CAREFUL AND GO....." THE MATCHES WILL BE DO-OR-DIE FROM HERE ON.

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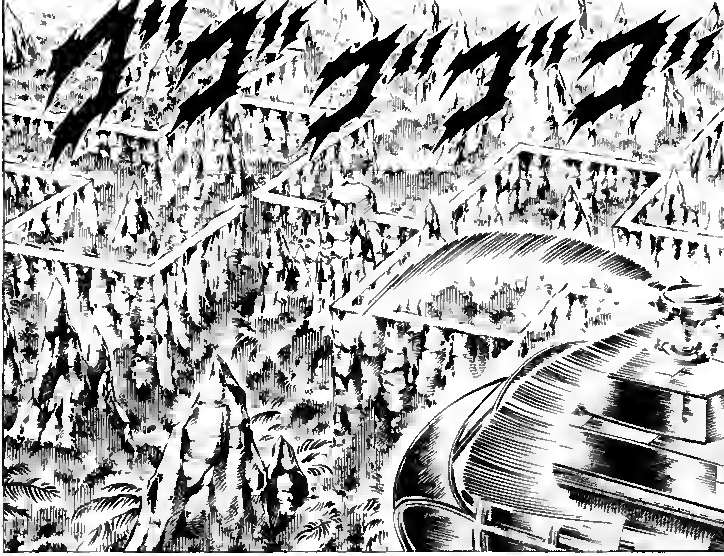
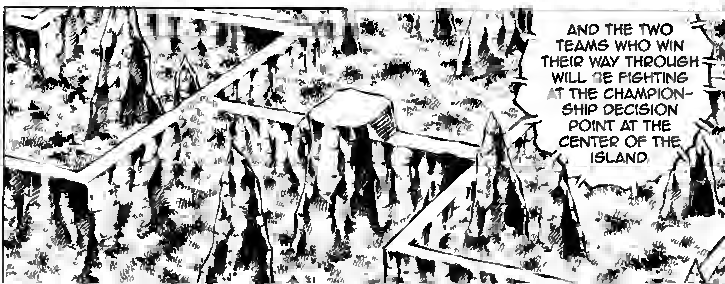
HEY, WHERE IS THIS HELICOPTER PLANNING TO FLY US TO?
FIVE OR SIX HOURS HAVE ALREADY PASSED SINCE WE'VE LEFT BEHIND THE BATTLEGROUND OF THE PRELIMINARY LEAGUE
REALLY, EVEN IF YOU LOOK OUT THE WINDOW, ALL I SEE ARE JUST CLOUDS

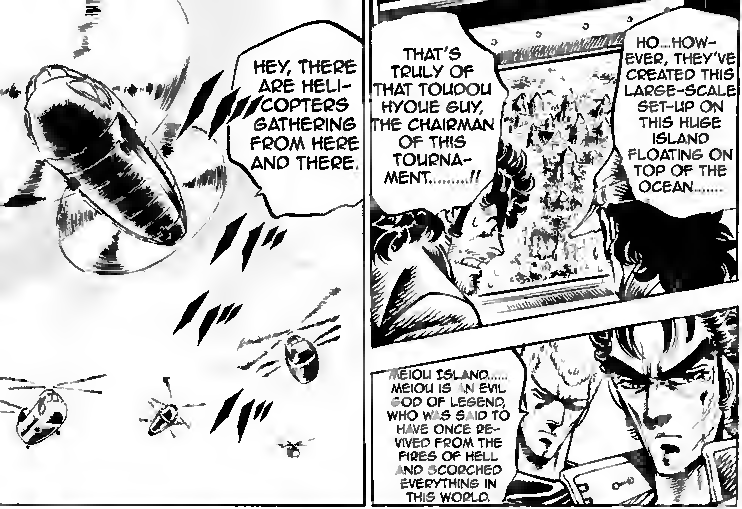
BUT I DON'T KNOW THE LAST TWO EITHER.
FU, I CERTAINLY KNOW ONE OF THEM.
WHO ARE THESE THREE? WELL, MOMO?
THAT REMINDS ME. THE PILOT OF THE HELICOPTER SAID EARLIER THEY WERE SENDING THREE FROM OTOKOJUKU SO WE COULD REPLENISH OUR NUMBERS
.....?
WE'RE APPROACHING THE SKIES THE TENCHOU GORIN DAIRIKAI FINALS GROUNDS!! WILL ALL OF YOU PREPARE FOR OUR LANDING!
!!
INFORMATION TO THE PASSENGERS!!
WH... WHAT IS TH... THAT.....!?
OOH!! WE'RE ARRIVING AT LAST?

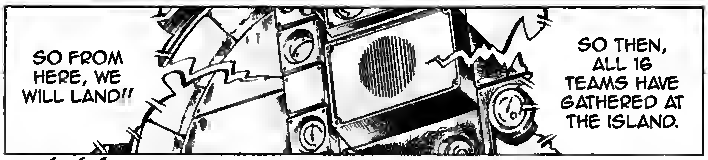
THIS IS THE BATTLEGROUND OF THE FINALS: MEIOU ISLAND!!
E...EVEN SO, WHAT DOES THAT MEAN.....!? I...COULDN'T SEE IT WELL WHEN IT WAS CONCEALED BY THE CLOUDS, BUT THE ROAD CONTINUES ON LIKE A TOURNAMENT BRACKET ON THE ENTIRE ISLAND.....!!
LO. LOOK THE FACE OF A HUGE OLD MAN IS CARVED INTO THE MOUNTAIN AT THE CENTER OF THE ISLAND

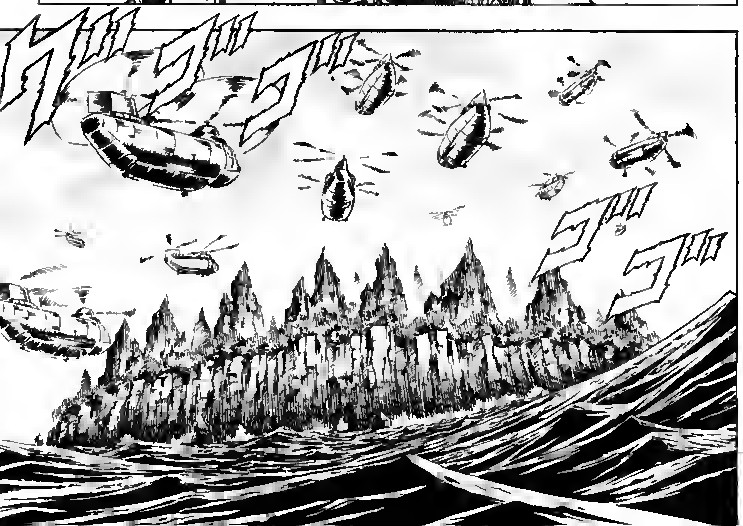


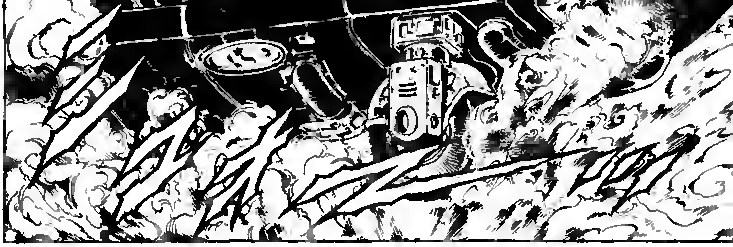
JUST LIKE ALL OF YOU, THE 16 TEAMS WHO HAVE WON THEIR WAY THROUGH EACH PRELIMINARY LEAGUE WILL BE SEPARATED INTO TWO BLOCKS OF EAST AND WEST AND WILL BE FIGHTING AT EACH MEETING POINT.
OF COURSE: THIS ENTIRE ISLAND HAS BECOME A TOURNAMENT BRACKET!!

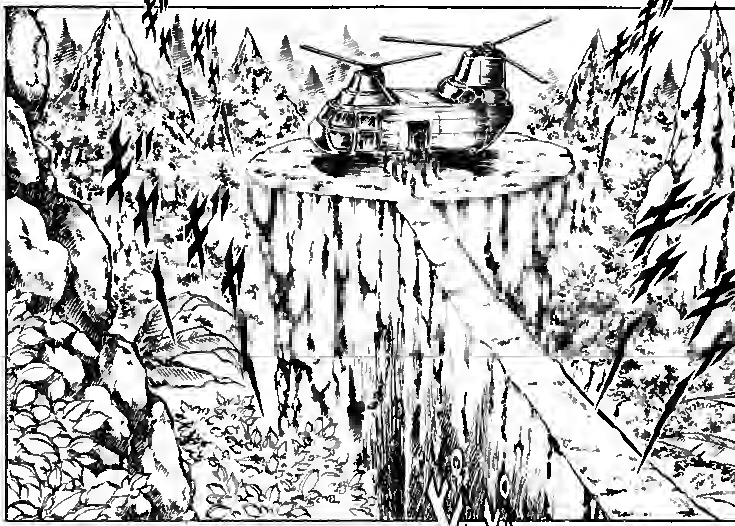

AND THE TWO TEAMS WHO WIN THEIR WAY THROUGH WILL BE FIGHTING AT THE CHAMPIONSHIP DECISION POINT AT THE CENTER OF THE ISLAND.


HEY, THERE ARE HELI-COPTERS GATHERING FROM HERE AND THERE.
THAT'S TRULY OF THAT TOUOOU HYOUE GUY, THE CHAIRMAN OF THIS TOURNA-MENT.....!!
HO...HOW-EVER, THEY'VE CREATED THIS LARGE-SCALE SET-UP ON THIS HUGE ISLAND FLOATING ON TOP OF THE OCEAN.....
MEIOU ISLAND..... MEIOU IS AN EVIL GOD OF LEGEND, WHO WAS SAID TO HAVE ONCE RE-VIVED FROM THE FIRES OF HELL AND SCORCHED EVERYTHING IN THIS WORLD.


SO FROM HERE, WE WILL LAND!!
SO THEN, ALL 16 TEAMS HAVE GATHERED AT THE ISLAND.







IT'S...AS IF THERE'S AN ATMOSPHERE THAT EVEN DINOSAURS COULD APPEAR.
WH...WHAT IS THIS ISLAND?

I'M STARTLED THAT THIS ROAD HAS BEEN MADE AS A TOURNAMENT BRACKET.
I GET IT. IF WE GO BY ADVANCING ON THIS ROAD, WE'LL BE COLLIDING WITH THE ENEMY TEAM AT EACH BATTLE-GROUND.

SO THEN, IF WE TURN HERE, WE'LL REACH THE FIRST BATTLE-GROUND.

WH...WHAT ARE YOU SAYING----!!
N...NOW IT'S MY TURN----!
OSSHAA!! NOW IT'S MY TURN ----!!

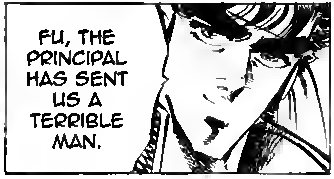
BE CAREFUL. BOTH EDGES OF THE ROAD ARE PRECIPITOUS CLIFFS. IF YOU LOSE YOUR FOOTING, IT'S THE DEPTHS OF HADES FOR YOU.

LET'S GO.

OOH!! TH... THAT'S!
HERE IS THE FIRST BATTLE-GROUND .....!!
THE OPPO-NENT TEAM HASN'T COME YET.
W...WAIT, LOOK: SOMEONE IS HERE.
THE...THERE'S SOMEONE AL-READY THAT'S ON THE BATTLE-GROUND...!!

YOU'RE LATE..... I WOULD HAVE BEEN SHORT ON THE VERGE OF THE MATCH!!
HEAD OF THE OTOKOJUKU SECOND-YEARS: AKASHI GOUJI ----!!

SO..SO THEN, THAT'S ONE OF THE THREE RE-SERVISTS THAT WERE SENT FROM OTOKO-JUKU.....!!
TH..THAT'S.....!!


FU, THE PRINCIPAL HAS SENT US A TERRIBLE MAN.

TN:

About time Akashi fights again! I've been waiting a while for a real fight since his first one against Momo in the Koro-sehm (yeah, there was J...but that was more a short skirmish), but it's been forever (well since he became one of the good guys) that he did something truly meaningful aside from helping Momo here or there. Though at the same time, that last line he stated nearly killed me...it nearly seemed to have no meaning at all!

Aside from Akashi being the first secret weapon and the revelation of some of the tournament's format at this phase, the highlight of the chapter was seeing the contrasting perspectives at this point between Toudou and Edajima, the eternal rivals whom are the crux of the entire tournament. Toudou is still his arrogant self, manipulating things while having fun at the expense of lives, while at the same time, this chapter seems to show much more deepness than usual towards Edajima through the flashback to the Saman Island incident where everything he fought for was betrayed by the coward who turned against his country on the road to becoming the ultimate puppet-master of Japan. It is an obvious mission beyond his typical bizarre nature and thus why he is so obsessed in making sure failure is not an option for any of the students though...with the first secret weapon, I doubt there will be too much failure in the future.

IT'S...AKASHI GOUJI, HEAD OF THE OTOKOJUKU SECOND-YEARS!!
TH... THAT'S A...AKASHI .....

CHP. 139: ASSASSINATION SOCIETY: POORON KOKURENJU

FU, MASTER OF GOUKEN ICHIMONJI-RYUU IT'S BEEN A WHILE SINCE I'VE SEEN THIS
HE...HEY, TH...THIS COMPLETELY HAS COME TO NOT BE OUR TURN .....!!
EVEN SO, OUR COMPETITION OPPONENT HASN'T COME YET?
AKASHI-SENPAI WAS WAITING FOR SO LONG IMPATIENTLY AND YET.
IT SEEMS LIKE THEY'RE ARRIVING.

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TH...THOSE ARE OUR FIRST OPPONENTS IN THE FINALS TOURNAMENT.....!?
THEY'RE A TERRIBLY EERIE, DISTURBED LOT WEARING THOSE MYOUCHIKURIN HATS AND PITCH-BLACK KENPOU OUTFITS.
THEIR LAWS ARE UNUSUALLY STRICT, WITH ALL OF THEM SQUARING THEIR ACCOUNTS WITH BLOOD! IN THE SHADOWS OF THE HISTORY OF THE WORLD'S IMPORTANT ASSASSINATIONS, THEY CERTAINLY WILL BE THERE. -FROM "COLLECTION OF DARK ORGANIZATIONS", TAIKOUBOU BOOKS
POORON KOKURENJU... A DARK ORGANIZATION ORIGINALLY FROM THE POORON PENINSULA OF EAST ASIA. AT PRESENT THEY POSSESS AN INFLUENCE THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE WORLD
THEY'RE A PROFESSIONAL ASSASSINATION SOCIETY WHOSE LIVELIHOOD IS TO KILL PEOPLE ACCURATELY, LIKE PRECISION MACHINES THAT DO NOT POSSESS ANY EMOTIONS
THEIR NAME IS POORON KOKURENJU.....!! CRUEL AND HEARTLESS...!!
*POORON KOKURENJU = "TREASURE-DRAGON BLACK LOTUS GEM"
PR... PROFESSIONAL ASSASSINATION SOCIETY...!?
POORON KOKURENJU...!?

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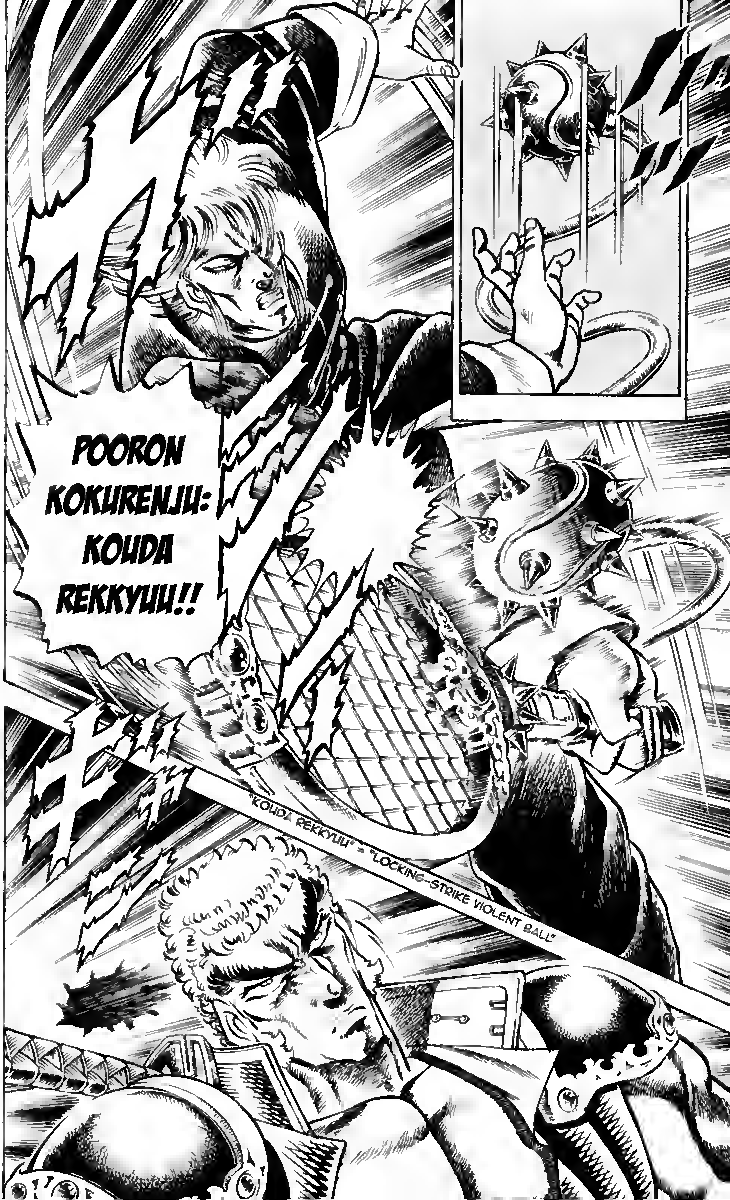
WH...WHAT'S TH...THAT---!! HE'S FLYING FROM THAT FAR-OFF CLIFF TO THE BATTLEGROUND WITHOUT USING THE ROPE LADDER--!!

I SHALL BE TAKING YOUR HEAD!!
MY NAME IS CHAN HOO, ONE OF THE POORON KOKUREN-JU!!

HE USED THE RECOIL OF THE ROPE THAT IS MADE OF RUBBER, WHICH IS ELASTIC
THAT'S A QUITE TASTEFUL BEHAVIOR

WHEN I HIT YOUR BIG MOUTH, YOU'LL COME TO REGRET THAT.
IT'S MY DECISION ON WHETHER OR NOT I NEED TO TAKE OUT MY LONGSWORD.
IS THAT EXAGGERATINGLY LONG SWORD THAT'S ON YOUR BACK MERELY A BLUFF...!?
WHAT'S WRONG, AREN'T YOU TAKING IT OUT?
COME!
IT'S BEST YOU REALIZE THE TERROR OF THE MURDERING TECHNIQUES OF THE KOKURENJU, THE MOST PERFECTED IN THE WORLD!!


POORON KOKURENJU: KOUDA REKKYUU!!
"KOUDA REKKYUU" = "LOCKING-STOIKE VIOLENT BALL"

THE SPEED OF THIS STEEL BALL IS 300KM/HR! IT HAS THE POWER TO PULVERIZE EVEN BONE IF YOU'RE DIRECTLY HIT.

AND IT'S SPEED DOUBLES FROM BEING RETURNED BY THIS IRON RACKET.

HE'S USING THE RECOIL OF THE RUBBER ROPE AND IS ATTACKING IT CONSECUTIVELY WITH TREMENDOUS FORCE------!!
WHAT----!! I....LOOK: TH....THAT'S AS IF IT'S LIKE A PRACTICE STAND USED FOR SINGLE TENNIS---!!
THAT LEVEL OF ATTACK CAN'T BE USED ON AKASHI
DON'T WORRY
AM I PLAYING WITH AN OPPONENT IN GIRL'S TENNIS?
WHAT'S WITH HIS BEHAVIORS ... .!?
BUT HERE'S WHERE I SHOW THE ESSENCE OF KOUDA REKKYUU!!
FU, YOU HAVE SOME EXPERIENCE IN SKILL, SO YOU CAN DEFEND YOUR BODY FROM ONE BALL

OUGI: KOUDA MU-GENKYUU!!
"KOUDA MUGENKYUU" = "LOCKING-STRIKE INFINITE BALLS"
THE...STEEL BALLS HAVE INCREASED INTO AN INFINITE AMOUNT---!!
WH... WHAT!!

WHAT'S WRONG! JUST RUNNING AWAY ISN'T A MATCH!!
ARE YOU STILL PLANNING ON NOT TAKING OUT YOUR LONG SWORD ---!!
FUFFUFFU. IT'S BEEN WAY TOO LONG WHEN YOU SAID YOU WEREN'T TAKING IT OUT!!
IT SEEMS YOU WANT ME TO TAKE OUT THIS LONG SWORD TO A GREAT EXTENT
THE LONG SWORD THAT I USE ISN'T FOR SOMEONE LIKE YOU, BUT I'LL SHOW IT TO YOU AS A SOUVENIR FOR THE OTHER WORLD.....!!

WHAT ARE YOU JOKING ABOUT!! YOU'RE JUST BLUFFING, IT'S SELF-EVIDENT THAT A HEAVY, LONG SWORD LIKE THAT CAN'T BE WIELDED EASILY.
ICHIMONJI-RYUU OUGI: REPPUUKEN!!
"REPPUKEN" = "VIOLENT-WIND SWORD"

WH... WHAT ---!!
HUH!!
A...AKASHI HAS PUSHED BACK THE IRON BALL W...WITH THE WIND-PRESSURE OF THE SWORD ---!!
KEEE ---- !!

ICHIMON-JI-RYUU ZANGAN-KEN
THERE ISN'T A THING THAT CAN'T BE CUT IN THIS WORLD.
HU--H
!?
FU, WHAT A STRONG SWORD WITH THAT GREAT FORCE .....
HOWEVER, YOU DIDN'T EVEN GRAZE MY BODY.

NO .. NO WAY..... THAT'S... IMPOS-SIBLE...!!
IT...CAN'T BE. WHAT YOU SAY YOU CUT WAS.....!?
UWAAA!!
PLAY TENNIS TO YOUR HEART'S CON-TENT WITH THE DEVILS IN HELL.

TN:

Well, Akashi hasn't lost any of his authority. Heck, he can win a match even without having to touch the opponent! (But then again, that's foul in tennis so it's not like he really should have wanted to touch Chan Hoo) The weird thing is that considering that we had soccer (and Gekkou playing a bit of baseball) in the last arc, somehow you would have expected a guy who fought with tennis sooner...but then again, it was less tennis and more "tennis training" with that elastic cord bouncing the ball back.

The chapter turned out to have much tougher references than usual, but mostly because of those weird hats that Toramaru decided to refer to as some weird sweet as opposed to being some "general Chinese hat". But hey, it was made up for it with a cool match. And I doubt Akashi's going to give up this soon!

References from page 133

"Myouchikurin" is a type of sweet bun notable for having two fillings on the inside. A center filled with cream akin to a donut that is completely in the shape of the bun and a second filling surrounding it that can be various flavors, most notably coffee, green tea or chocolate, that takes a shape that includes a flat bottom and a point directly in the top center of the bun, similar slightly to a bamboo shoot in shape. It is this filling shape that leads to Toramaru to refer to the hats as "myouchikurin hats."

I...DON'T BELIEVE THIS... HE...HE HIT AND SLASHED THE RATTLEGROUND AS IF HE WAS CUTTING CHEESE.....!!
FU, INDEED, AN EXCITING WIN IS LIKE HIM.
飛吊双鎌槍!!の巻

飛吊襲鎌槍!!の巻

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FU... THAT'S THE STRONG-SWORD OF ICHIMON-JI-RYUU ZANGAN-KEN....!!
BUT CHAN HOO WAS THE YOUNGEST OF OUR POORON KOKURENJU. IT 'S NOT SUR-PRISING IN PARTICULAR.
THAT GUY DID THAT..... HE EASILY DEFEATED CHAN HOO JUST LIKE THAT.....!!
IT SEEMS NOW IT'S MY TURN.

LET'S LEAVE IT TO HIM HERE
FU, HE'S APPEARING AFTER A LONG TIME. THAT LEVEL OF BATTLE HASN'T SATISFIED HIM YET
AAH!! TH...THAT AKAGHI GUY... N...NO...AKAGHI-SENPAI, ARE YOU CONTINUING TO FIGHT IN THE NEXT MATCH TOO!
IT SEEMS LIKE IT---!! N...NOW IT'S OUR TURN---!
AN EXTREMELY LARGE BIRD IS FLYING TO HERE FROM THE KOKURENJI'S SIDE.
AAH, WH.. WHAT'S THAT!?

WH... WHAT!!
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A...HUMAN!! SOMEONE IS RIDING ON THAT GIANT EAGLE---!
L... LOOK, THAT'S!!

THE TRUE TERROR OF POORON KOKURENJU'S ASSASSIN TECHNIQUES, REALIZE THEM IN YOUR FLESH AND BONES
MY NAME IS KOU-SHUUSHI!!
I... DON'T BELIEVE IT TH- THAT'S THERE'S AN EAGLE THAT HUGE ....
N- NO- IN TRUTH, THE BIRD IS HUGE BUT THE GUY WHO'S RIDING ON HIM IS ALSO EXTREMELY TINY

WELL THEN IF I LOOK CLOSELY, I CAN SEE IT YOUR STRANGELY LARGE LONG SWORD
BUT WITH THAT LARGENESS AND HEAVINESS, ITS SPEED HAS A LIMIT NO MATTER HOW MUCH FORCE IT HAS.
THAT IS YOUR WEAKNESS.

"HICHOU SHUURENZOU" = "HANGING-FLIGHT ADVANCING SICKLE-SPEAR"

HE...HE'S HANGING IN MIDAIR UPSIDE-DOWN FROM THE EAGLE'S CLAWS AND ATTACKING WITH TREMENDOUS FORCE---!!
WH... WHAT IS TH...THAT ---!!

YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO EVEN TAKE OUT YOUR PRIDED LONG SWORD!!
THIS IS THE FIRST POSSIBLE ASSASSIN TECHNIQUE THAT SUITES MY LIGHT PHYSIQUE!!
HOW IS IT!! THE AGILITY OF THE GIANT EAGLE, WHICH POSSESSES THE FASTEST SPEEDS AMONG ALL BIRDS!

A... AKASHI ---!!
THAT'S TREMENDOUS SPEED
IT'S AS HE SAID. EVEN IF AKASHI TOOK OUT HIS SWORD, THAT TINY DIFFERENCE IN TAKING THAT OUT WOULD MAKE IT INEVITABLE !!

FUFUFUFU, YOU'RE A GREAT MAN. YOUR FACE HASN'T CHANGED ONE BIT WHILE YOU'RE IN THIS DILEMMA OF A DESPERATE SITUATION.
DO YOU UNDERSTAND THE SITUATION YOU'VE BEEN PUT INTO?
SH. SHRIMPO.....
Y. YOU CALL ME A SHRIMP?
AKASHI REFERS TO KOUSHIUSHI AS "DOCHIBI", WHICH FURTHER EMPHASIZES THE "CHIBI" OR "SHRIMP" THAT HE WAS CALLED PRIOR.
FU .....
DESPERATE SITUATION? ISN'T THAT FUNNY, SHRIMPO!
THOUGH YOU SEE I HAVE MANY OF THESE SCRATCHES, I WON'T BE DEFEATED BY YOU.
I...I'VE PREPARED A MUCH CRUELER DEATH FOR YOU.
FUFUFU: I'VE CHANGED MY MIND .....
NUUA ---!!

IT'S BEST FOR AN IDIOT TO REALIZE THIS.

WH...WHAT IS HE DOING, TH...THAT GUY----!!
HE'S SPREADING SOME WATER-LIKE THING ACROSS THE SURFACE OF THE BATTLEGROUND FROM THE SKY!!

ALRIGHT, THAT MUCH IS FINE.
YOUR BODY WILL BE ENGULFED IN CRIMSON FLAMES; YOU'LL DIE WHILE IN AGONIZING PAIN---!!
UWAHHAHAHA. YOU SEEM TO HAVE REALIZED ALREADY: YES, YOU'RE RIGHT IN THE MIDDLE OF A SEA OF GASOLINE!!
WELL, WILL YOU STOP WITH YOUR FALSE COURAGE AND KNEEL ----?
IF YOU RUB YOUR FACE ON THE GROUND, KNEEL AND BEG FOR YOUR LIFE, THEN I'LL EASE UP JUST THE WAY I KILL YOU
WELL THEN, I'LL GIVE A LAST CHANCE TO YOU
GROOM
WH... WHAT-!! GASO- ---!

JUST BECAUSE I KNEEL DOWN, IT WON'T MAKE YOUR STATURE GROW TALLER.
FU. THAT'S WHAT A TWISTED SHRIMP SEEMS TO THINK.
DIE!!
A...
AKASHI!!

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WE-LL, SHALL I GO CON-FIRMED THE CORPSE OF THE BURNED-TO-BLACK FOOL?
IT SEEMS EVEN THE FIRE IS CALMING.
!!
WHERE EXACTLY IS HIS CORPSE ...
EVEN SO, THIS IS SUCH TREMEN-DOUS SMOKE

IT'S TOO BAD, SHRIMP.
WH... WHAT---!! IT'S... YOU---!
A... AKASHI !!

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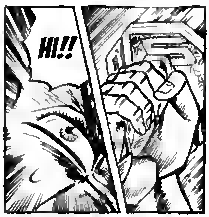
Y..YOU DUG UP TH.THE GROUND WITH YOUR SWORD, PROTECTING YOUR BODY FROM THE FIRE.....!!
TH...THAT'S .....!!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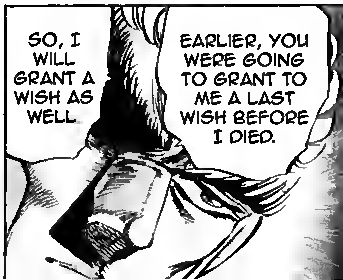
SO, I WILL GRANT A WISH AS WELL.
EARLIER, YOU WERE GOING TO GRANT TO ME A LAST WISH BEFORE I DIED.

THIS IS YOUR WISH. ISN'T IT GREAT
HASN'T YOUR HEIGHT INCREASED, SHRIMP ……!!
GUGYA !!
……!!

TN:

AKASHI'S SMIRK AT THE END..SCARED ME. I GUESS THERE ARE SOME CHARACTERS YOU JUST DON'T WANT TO SEE HAPPY, REGARDLESS OF HOW MANY SIZE-RELATED PROBLEMS HE CURES.

BUT THEN AGAIN, THIS MATCH DEFINITELY SHOWED OFF MORE OF AKASHI'S SWORDSMANSHIP AND SMARTS.. HECK, I WOULDN'T HAVE THOUGHT OF EXCAVATING THE ARENA GROUND AND THEN BURYING YOURSELF UNDERNEATH WHILE FIRE STARTS BURNING OVER ALL OF THE SURFACE!

BUT THEN AGAIN THAT'S THE FIRST RULE OF THIS SERIES: USE ANYTHING TO YOUR ADVANTAGE.. AND I MEAN EVERYTHING! SOME WOULD PROBABLY COMPLAIN KOUSHUUSHI'S ABILITY IS SIMILAR TO BARON DINO, BUT IT REALLY ISN'T: ONE USES A BIRD AS A MOUNT, THE OTHER USES IT ALONGSIDE A BATTLE-STYLE ON THE GROUND, SO IT IS DIFFERENT, TRUST ME.

OH AND ONE MORE LITTLE SMALL COMMENT: AM I THE ONLY ONE SORT OF TIRED OF WHEN THE FIRST FIGHTER LOSES, THE TEAM STATES "HE WAS OUR WEAKEST FIGHTER" OR "OUR YOUNGEST FIGHTER"...YEAH IT'S SUPPOSED TO BE A PARODY OF THOSE TYPES OF THE SERIES BUT AT THE SAME TIME, IT'S JUST ONE OF THOSE LITTLE THINGS THAT GETS TO ME.

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Y...YOU .....!!
ARE.... ARE YOU MAKING A FOOL OF ME HERE .....!!
HE'S GREAT, THAT OLDIE KOUSHUUSHI! HASN'T HE BECOME WAY TALLER!!
GAHHAHAHAHA, THAT'S A MASTERPIECE----!! L...LOOK, AT THE BUMPS ON HIS HEAD----!

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CHP. 141: THE SKILLFUL PROBLEM SOLVER: AKASHI!

FAN FEI! SKEWER THAT GUY WITH YOUR BEAK ---!!

K... KILL HIM ---!!

UWAHHA-HAHA! WHERE WERE YOU AIMING!!
NO MATTER HOW MANY TIMES YOU SWING THAT MONSTER SWORD, YOU STILL DON'T UNDERSTAND THAT YOU CAN'T USE IT ON THIS SPEED----!!
UH!!

WH... WHAT !!

YAKITORI: FOR THOSE WHO DON'T KNOW OF IT, IT'S A SNACK OF CUT UP CHICKEN COOKED UP, USUALLY WITH A SAUCE, AND THEN SKEWERED FOR THE EASE OF CARRYING FOR THE CUSTOMER

I'M DISAPPOINTED THAT OUR FIRST OPPONENTS IN THE FINALS LEAGUE ARE OF THIS LEVEL
HOW ABOUT I LEAVE YOU THE REST? IT WAS STILL EARLY IN MY TURN.
BUT, SENPAI, PLEASE SAY THAT THIS MUCH IS ENOUGH----!! YOU'RE HOLDING UP THE REST!
HE...DID IT----!! YOU'RE AMAZING, AKAISHI-SENPAI, THAT'S THE SECOND-STRAIGHT BAMBOO YOU'VE BROKEN----!
NOW IT'S OUR TURN!!

THE "BROKEN BAMBOO" PART IS PROBABLY REFERRING TO THE EARLIER COMMENT REFERRING TO THE KOKURENJOU FIGHTERS AS "MYOUCHIKU-IN", WHICH AS I MENTIONED IS IN THE SHAPE OF A SHOOT OF BAMBOO

IT WON'T BE AS SUCH.
I'M DIFFERENT WITH THOSE TWO THAT WERE DEFEATED BY YOU.
MY NAME IS FU CHIN.
YOU DON'T HAVE A REASON TO GO BACK WITH WHAT YOU'VE DONE.
THE LAW OF OUR KOKURENJU IS IF YOU DEFEAT OUR ALLIES, THEN WE WILL CHASE YOU DOWN AND ATONE FOR THEM WITH BLOOD, EVEN TO THE DEPTHS OF HELL.
WH... WHAT THE- TH...THAT GUY BEFORE WE KNEW IT---!!

NOW LET ME EXPLAIN ABOUT THE NEEDLE THAT I'VE SHOT INTO YOUR NECK
THAT NEEDLE IS PAINTED WITH A DEADLY, SLOW-ACTING POISON
THE LIFE THAT'S LEFT FOR YOU IS JUST TEN MINUTES .....!!

WH...WHAT!! AKASHI HAS TEN MINUTES LEFT TO LIVE!
E...EVEN SO, HE WAS ATTACKED BY A POISONED NEEDLE SUDDENLY FROM BEHIND BY SO...SOME DIRTY GUY----!!

BUT YOU SHOULD N'T WORRY.
HERE IS THE ANTI-DOTE THAT WILL OPPOSE THE POISON

THIS IS THE ONLY PATH LEFT FOR YOU.
DEFEAT ME AND IMMEDIATELY DRINK THE ANTIDOTE IN THIS GLASS.
WH...WHAT!! WH...WHAT'S HE DOING WITH THAT!! HE PUT THE ANTIDOTE OUT OF THE WAY ON TOP OF HIS HEAD!
THIS...CAN'T BE: HOW CAN HE FIGHT IN THAT SITUATION---!!
WOULDN'T IT BE THAT IF THAT GLASS F...FALLS TO THE GROUND AND BREAKS APART THEN IT'LL COME TO THERE NOT BEING A WAY TO SAVE AKASHI AT ALL---!!

THIS IS SHOUTAO-BEI: THE HIGH BAD NAME WITH-OUT REWARD!!
IT'S BEST THAT YOU FREELY RELISH THE TERROR OF DEATH IN THESE TEN MINUTES

TAKING THIS PUNISHMENT IS RESTRICTED INTO A SITUATION WHERE THE HONOR OF A KENPOU SCHOOL IS CONSIDERABLY HURT, WHERE THEY WILL DIE WHILE USING HOPELESS ENDEAVOR THAT CAN NEVER BE REWARDED INCIDENTALLY, CALLING PEOPLE WHO USE USELESS ENDEAVOR "SAKAZUKI MEN" GOT IT'S ORIGIN FROM THIS -FROM "HISTORY OF THE WORLD'S CRUEL PUNISHMENTS" TAIKOUBOU BOOKS
SHOUTAOBEI...A PUNISHMENT METHOD WHICH OCCURRED AT KOUNAN TEMPLE, WHICH IS KNOWN FOR STRICT LAWS IN WORLD OF ANCIENT CHINESE KENPOU. ORIGINALLY, IT WAS A TRAINING METHOD INVOLVING FIGHTING WHILE HOLDING ON TOP OF YOUR HEAD A CUP FILLED WITH SULFURIC ACID, MAINTAINING A SENSE OF BALANCE WHILE AT THE SAME TIME CONQUERING YOUR FEAR. THIS TRANSFORMED INTO A VARIETY OF TORTURE BY SERVING POISON TO AN OPPONENT AND FIGHTING SO THEY CAN TAKE THE ANTIDOTE ON TOP OF THEIR HEAD

KOKURENJU OUGI: HEISHI JIZAISEN!!
"HEISHI JIZAISEN" = "DEFEATED GIFT ATTWILL PARTICIPATION"

WH...WHAT IS...THAT!! IT'S CHANGING AS IF IT'S A LIVING THING---!!
A... AKA SHI ...--!!
!!

BUT YOU SHOULDN'T BE WORRIED; WITH THE SENSE OF BALANCE I'VE OBTAINED WITH MY TRAINING, IT WON'T FALL THAT EASILY.
FU; YOU'RE ANXIOUS ABOUT THE GLASS ON MY HEAD.

HOO, THAT'S A GREAT THING. YOU CAN COMPLETELY SEE THE MOVEMENTS OF THIS JIZAISEN.
O~ TOTTO!
PULL IT STRONGER LIKE THIS .....
ARE YOU FINE WITH THAT ACTION?
BUT YOU STILL DON'T SEEM TO UNDERSTAND YOUR SITUATION.

FUFFUFFU: RIGHT, THAT'S FINE. DO YOU FINALLY UNDERSTAND THE MEANING OF SHOUTAOBE!?
AAH!! IT'S... FALLING!
THE GLASS ON HIS HEAD FI...FILLED WITH THE ANTIDOTE---!!

TRASH .....!!
WHAT IS THIS: THAT'S ONLY DOING WHAT THAT GUY SAYS.
.....
WELL, WHAT'S WRONG, CAN'T YOU TAKE IT QUICKLY?
AAH, IT'S FALLING!! ARE YOU FINE EVEN WITH IT FALLING ---!?
THAT'S BECAUSE YOU CAN'T SURPASS THE CAUTION THAT YOU SHOW AS SUCH WITH YOUR SUPERHUMANLY STRENGTH.
AND, YOU ALSO HAVE THAT MONSTER SWORD.

IT SEEMS THAT THE POISON HAS STARTED TO CIRCULATE AS WELL. YOUR BREATHING IS DISTURBED
FUFUFU· WITH THAT, YOUR DEATH IS QUICKLY BECOMING CERTAIN
BUT FOR A MAN OF YOUR EXTENT! I'LL END THIS BY CHOPPING YOU UP WITH THIS JIZAISEN ----!!

!!
WAHHAHAHA! YOUR EYES ARE GETTING HAZY AND EVEN MOVEMENT IS BEYOND YOUR CONTROL DUE TO THE POISON!!
N...NO!! AKASHI'S GETTING KILLED ----!
MO... MOMO, C...CAN'T WE DO SOMETHING ----!!
.....AKASHI-SENPAI WON'T LOSE.
WH... WHAT ----!!

HE'S A PROUD MAN. HE HIMSELF WOULD CHOOSE TO DIE IF HE CAME TO NOT WIN AS SAID BY THAT TRASH.
HE'S LIVELY IN A FATAL SITUATION! I'M SURE HE CERTAINLY HAS SOME SECRET PLAN!!

FUFUFU! WHAT'S WRONG? ARE YOU GIVING UP EVEN AVOIDING THIS ALREADY?
THAT'S NOT UNREASONABLE WITH YOUR WOUNDS AND THE POISON CIRCULATING YOUR ENTIRE BODY, EVEN STANDING TAKES ALL YOUR MIGHT.
THE CRIME OF DISGRACING A DUEL OF MEN IS HEAVY.....!!
IT'S ATONEMENT WILL BE FULLY DONE.
HUH!!

WH...WHAT!! WHAT IS HE INTENDING: HE SET UP HIS SCABBARD WITHOUT HIS SWORD BLADE!
FU: WHAT'S ACTION
DO YOU THINK THAT THING IS A WEAPON YOU CAN USE ON ME?
NUU UU ---
!!

HUH!?

TH... THAT'S .....!!
Y... YOU .....
CHEER
TO YOUR CERTAIN DEATH!!

TN:

After several fights which were pretty much all muscle, we finally get our first truly "brain-teaser" fight in a while... and it turned out to be a really good one.

While I really don't get why Fu Chin essentially admits to be "going to his death" and the whole implications of the desperation and inevitable death the opposition holds since it was pretty much Akashi fighting on his own for his own life. But considering he kept a wine glass his whole fight and threatened to spill Akashi's only means to save himself, but he's just a sick man in himself.

Though one real highlight of the chapter (aside Akashi finally getting the wine glass from Fu Chin's head) was probably just him using the scabbard of his sword in a means for fighting. Considering in some ways it reminded me a bit of Ikkaku from Bleach, I always like swordsmen who seem to use everything they have to prove they are well-rounded in their fighting means.

But heck, with Akashi essentially wrapping up his third-straight win, hopefully next time someone else will fight... in particular, a couple of idiots who have been waiting forever for their turn!

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